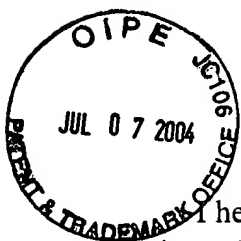
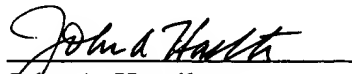


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### **Response (A) to Office Action Under 37 CFR §1.111**

Sirs:

In response to the (non-final) Office Action dated 07 January 2004 in the above-captioned U.S. patent application, it is respectfully requested that the following amendment be entered. A petition for a three-month extension of time and a check in the amount of \$465.00 (small entity fee) is being submitted herewith. No other fees are believed necessary for submission and consideration of this response, if, however, additional fees are required, such fees are authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 03-2410, Order No. 120001-102.

Claims 1-10 are currently pending in the application. Through the amendments and the Remarks that follow, all grounds for objection and rejection to the application are traversed and overcome.

**Amendment to the specification** begins on **page 3** of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on **page 4** of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on **page 7** of this paper.

An **Appendix A** is attached herewith following **page 9** of this paper